

<b>HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION - 2025</b>		<b>Exam No.</b>								
<b>Time : 2-30 Hours</b>		<b>VIII - ENGLISH</b>				<b>Marks : 100</b>				

**I. Choose the correct Synonyms for the underlined words. (23x1=23)**

1. The mother consoled her little girl  
a) pretended      b) comforted      c) left      d) scolded
2. He cared little for earthly fame and honors  
a) disrespect      b) attraction      c) proud      d) popularity
3. Ajay started to paint happily  
a) depressed      b) joyfully      c) unhappily      d) sadly

**II. Choose the correct Antonyms for the underlined words.**

4. The vegetables look fresh  
a) modern      b) dull      c) new      d) weak
5. Shafin asked the manager to improve the facility in the hall  
a) worsen      b) better      c) enhance      d) upgrade
6. Hannah seemed to have a taste for Mathematics  
a) delicious      b) sweet      c) distaste      d) against

**7. Pick out the right Homophone.**  
Akhir will play the \_\_\_\_\_ in the second play. [role, roll]

**8. Expand the following abbreviation: IFSC**  
a) Indian Financial System Code      b) Industries Financial System Code  
c) Indian Forest System Code      d) Indian Financial Software Company

**9. Write the plural form of the given word. 'deer'**  
a) deers      b) deer      c) dear      d) deerses

**10. Pick a suitable suffix for the word 'new-' from the given option.**  
a) loss      b) ly      c) tion      d) ble

**11. Ziyaf \_\_\_\_\_ his job by tomorrow evening.**  
a) will be completing      b) will have completed  
c) will complete      d) will have been completed

**12. Find out the Clipped word for the following. Zoological park**  
a) zam zam      b) zinc      c) zoo      d) zero

**13. Form the Blend word using the given clue.** Spanish + English = ?

**14. Choose the correct Idiom.**  
English is an easy task  
a) a bad egg      b) on cloud nine  
c) a piece of cake      d) perfect ten

**15. Choose the correct CONJUNCTION for the following sentence.**  
Kamal is intelligent \_\_\_\_\_ he is careless.  
a) or      b) after      c) but      d) before

**16. Choose the correct meaning for the PHRASAL VERB. 'give up'**  
a) continue      b) vacate      c) stop      d) start

**17. Choose the correct word to make a compound word.**  
Which can be placed after 'blue'?  
a) cane      b) see      c) print      d) land

**18. Choose the correct tense form for the given sentences.**  
Zafran \_\_\_\_\_ his mother in making biryani for the last one hour.  
a) is helping      b) has helped      c) has been helping      d) helps

**Fill in the blanks with suitable collective nouns. [choir, bowl, shower, pair, swarm]**

19. A \_\_\_\_\_ of ants
20. A \_\_\_\_\_ of singers
21. A \_\_\_\_\_ of rice
22. A \_\_\_\_\_ of shoes
23. A \_\_\_\_\_ of rain

**III. Answer any four from the following questions. (4x3=12)**

**24. Fill in the blanks.**

POSITIVE	COMPARATIVE	SUPERLATIVE
a) _____	Taller	_____
b) Large	_____	_____
c) _____	_____	Biggest

**25. Choose the right pattern. [SVOC, SVO, SVC]**  
a) Kamal plays the piano.      b) Aneeha is smart.      c) Ashik painted the car blue.

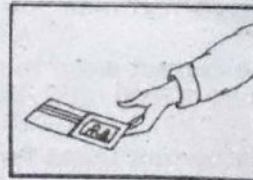
**26. Match the following.**

a) If I invite Jesi	-	She would win
b) If Akil had got money	-	She will come to our party
c) If she worked hard	-	He would have bought a car

**27. Fill in the blanks by using correct prepositions.**  
a) Reshma gave me a gift \_\_\_\_\_ my birthday. (to / on)  
b) Owl is more active \_\_\_\_\_ night. (for / at)  
c) Christmas falls \_\_\_\_\_ 25<sup>th</sup> December. (on / in)



28. **Punctuate the following sentences.**  
wilson and muthu were badminton players
29. **Fill in the blanks using suitable MODAL verbs.**  
a) \_\_\_\_\_ please bring some water for me?  
b) \_\_\_\_\_ please close the door? c) \_\_\_\_\_ put out the lights? (5)
- IV. **Quote from memory. [5 lines]**
30. From : A thing of beauty ..... To: ..... quiet breathing (5)
- V. **Read the following poetic lines and answer the questions.** (2x5=10)
31. "There is something special  
about a father's love  
seems it was sent to me  
from some place up above"  
a) Who is the speaker? b) What do the above lines mean?  
c) Identify the Alliteration in the first line. d) Pick out the rhyming words.  
e) Write the rhyme scheme of the above poetic lines.
32. "Mistress, Master, hear me help,  
I'm out-of-doors, I want your help  
Let me in-oh, LET ME IN  
Before those fireworks begin"  
a) Why was the dog frightened of?  
b) Whom did the dog ask for help? c) Pick out the rhyming words.  
d) Write the rhyme scheme of the above lines.  
e) Identify the Alliteration in the first line.
- VI. **Answer any three from the following questions.** (3x2=6)
33. Where did the bird drop the diamond stud?  
34. How was Newton honoured by the King?  
35. In what ways the river and its bank have changed?  
36. What is being "STREETSMART"?  
37. What was Ajay gifted with?
- VII. **Answer any one of the following questions in a paragraph.** (1x4=4)
38. Why did the sparrow throw the nose-jewel into Ramayya's house?  
39. Write about Road safety rules.
- VIII. **Read the following and answer the questions given below.** (5x2=10)
40. Trees are our friends. They give us shade. They protect us from the rain and the sun.  
Many trees give us fruits to eat. Some of them are mango, tamarind and apple.  
1) Which are our friends? 2) Who protect us from the sun?  
3) What are the uses of trees?  
4) Name some fruits that you like most. 5) Deforestation means \_\_\_\_\_.
- IX. **Answer any two from the following.** (2x5=10)
41. Write a letter to the postmaster on non-receipt of book parcel.  
42. Sharmila is the incharge of the cultural committee of Government Higher Secondary School Trichy. She has been asked to notify the students of the school about "Inter school singing competition". Write a notice to inform the students.
43. **Look at the picture and write five sentences.**



- X.44. **Fill in the blanks using the correct option.** (5)  
[oak, wrong, tea and samosas, three, milkmaid]
1. Moti is a poor \_\_\_\_\_.  
2. We were saved because beauty had known that something was \_\_\_\_\_ with the bridge.  
3. Suddenly an \_\_\_\_\_ tree came crashing down and fell right in front of us.  
4. The King wanted to know the answers for \_\_\_\_\_ questions.  
5. The strange lady gave \_\_\_\_\_ to Arun.
- XI.45. **Match the following.** (5)
- |                    |   |                         |
|--------------------|---|-------------------------|
| 1. Satish          | - | have special Knowledge  |
| 2. Animals         | - | Passenger boat          |
| 3. Ferry           | - | The woman on platform 8 |
| 4. Three questions | - | Boy of same age         |
| 5. Ruskin Bond     | - | Leo Tolstoy             |
- XII.46. **Say whether the following sentences are true or false.** (5)
1. The King and the hermit refused to help the wounded man.  
2. The wounded man asked for forgiveness from the King.  
3. The bearded man was an enemy of the King.  
4. The King promised to restore the property of the bearded man.  
5. The season mentioned in the story is summer.
- XIII.47. **Develop the following hints into a meaningful paragraph.** (5)  
Edward James Corbett - popularly - known - Jim Corbett - British - wildlife - photographer  
- hunter, tracker - naturalist - writes - hunted - man - eating tigers - leopards -  
India - lot - experience - tigers - other - wild animals - shoot - cine - film camera.